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Order U/S 144 of Criminal Procedure  
Code, 1973

No. 47/2/MAG/BYE-ELN/19-Valpoi/2010

Whereas, the Election Commission of India had announced the Bye Election for 19-Valpoi Assembly Constituency scheduled to be held on 18-10-2010.

And whereas, it has brought to my notice by the Superintendent of Police (North), Porvorim that the Polling Booths especially those in Valpoi Town, Guleli, Dhawe etc. are situated in the close proximity of commercial establishments like Hotels, Restaurants, Bars, STD Booths, Grocery shops, Recreation centres etc. and it is a tendency of supporters of different political parties to gather outside these establishments with a view to induce voters and this leads to clashes between the supporters of different political parties.

Whereas, the above said Elections are expected to be held in free, fair and peaceful manner.

And whereas, in my considered opinion there is sufficient ground for proceeding under sub-Section (i) of Section 144 of Criminal Procedure Code 1973 for closure of commercial establishments like Hotels, Restaurants, Bars, STD Booths, Grocery shops, Recreation centres etc. situated within the radius of 200 metres of each of the Polling Stations in 19-Valpoi Assembly Constituency on the Poll day i.e. on 18-10-2010.

And whereas, I am satisfied that the circumstances do not admit of serving in due time of the notices individually upon the persons against whom this order is directed.

Now therefore, I, R. Mihir Vardhan, District Magistrate, North Goa District, Panaji in exercise of powers vested in me under Section 144 of Cr. P. C., 1973 do hereby order the closure of commercial establishment like Hotels, Restaurants, Bars, Grocery shops, Recreation centres etc. situated within the radius of 200 metres of each of the Polling Stations in 19-Valpoi Assembly Constituency on the Poll day i.e. on 18-10-2010.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Office, on this 15th October, 2010.

*R. Mihir Vardhan,*  
District Magistrate,  
North Goa District,  
Panaji.

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